

HOUSING AND RESIDENTIAL BLIGHT

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A housing survey was conducted in Whiteville during the month of July, 1962, by the Division of Community Planning. This particular study was undertaken in conjunction with the Land Use Survey with the major purposes being to locate and externally evaluate the condition of each of the residential structures in the Whiteville Planning Area.

The data obtained in this particular survey was supplemented by additional housing data compiled by the U.S. Bureau of Census in the 1960 Decennial Census. This survey included both an interior and an exterior evaluation of each structure, but it was limited to the incorporated area and only statistical totals were published (no maps). It is useful to consider the results of both of these surveys, however, if the data is not specifically indicated as coming from the U.S. Bureau of Census it can be assumed that it is based on the 1962 survey.

There are within the corporate limits of Whiteville a total of 1,316 residential structures. Of this total 1,189 are single family structures; the remainder consists of 41 apartments, seven rooming houses, two tourist homes, 15 mobile homes and 62 vacant residential structures.

Beyond the corporate limits but within the Planning Area, there are a total of 597 residential structures. This represents a total of 558 single family structures, five mobile homes and 34 vacant residential structures.

It is indicated in the 1960 Census of Housing Publication that 47 percent of the residential structures within the corporate limits were constructed prior to 1940. This in some respects implies that